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Thanks

... to those who supported our Talent Show performers this week.
... to Mrs Walker and Mr Schuster for their efforts in the build-up to the Talent Show .. all on top of your regular workloads.
... to those who accompanied our senior school to Waitangi this week.
... to those already encouraging their children to really get involved in our current Rugby World Cup Reading Challenge.
... to Craig and Anne Tweedie for allowing us access to their property for our recent School Cross Country event.
... to Paula and Jenny for work on the junior school production costumes, and parents who have dropped by to help this week.
... a huge thank you to the parents who attended Techquest this week

People of the week

... Eve Finlayson and Hazza Brooker for representing our school at the Northland Championships at Dargaville - Eve got an amazing 5th place and Hazza 33. This is amongst the top Northland runners.
... Elizabeth Townley who has been selected to attend the forthcoming Weir Rose Bowl tournament .. on top of her selection for the North Force Under 13's another huge achievement ... well done Elizabeth!
... Brendan Pol and Connan Wiegiersma who supported their younger siblings on the Talent Quest stage this week. Well done!

Farewell

... to Mrs Cates who finishes her work at our school at the end of this term. Mrs Cates has given outstanding service over quite a number of years and will be greatly missed. We wish her well with her new plans and hope she will drop by from time to time to organise the principal and remind him of important forthcoming dates.

Term calendar *(We will advise further dates as these come to hand)*

23 September	Junior School production ... Kiwi Moon
25 September	Final day of term 3
12 October	First day of term 4
14 October	Closing date for out of zone enrolments
22 October	Calf Club Day
26 October	Labour Day Holiday
30 October	World Teachers' Day

Some term dates

For those who have been asking, the Board has confirmed the following key dates ...

... final day for 2015 will be Monday 14 December

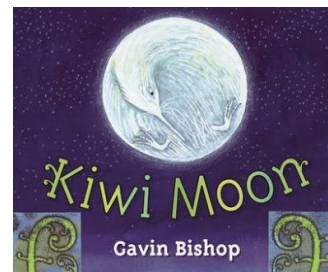
... start date for 2016 will be Tuesday 2 February

Save the Date

This term the junior school are working towards their Biannual Junior School Production. The children have been learning songs, dances and parts to perform Gavin Bishop's story of KIWI MOON.

The performance for families will be on **Wednesday 23rd September** at 1:45 pm ... gold coin on entry please.

See you there!



Out of Zone Enrolments ... IMPORTANT ADVICE

Thank you to those who have kept us advised of your intentions for next year .. it is crucial that we know which children will, or will not, be enrolled with us next year so that we get class numbers right, and ballot in the right number of children. Please remember that advice via your child, or child's teacher, is not sufficient, **advice must be to Helen directly or via the school answer phone. Where we have not been advised through Helen, or the answer phone, your child will remain on our lists for 2016.**

Now, if you are planning to enrol a child and you are out of zone, it is important that you complete an Out of Zone Application Form available from our school office, and return this to us by the closing date of 14 October. **Applications received after this date will likely not be accepted for 2016, even if your child has a sibling at our school.** All out of zone students must be balloted in and, once 14 October has passed, all available places will be filled. If you have any questions about this process please contact either Helen or Kevin.



Art Scholarship

Early next term we will be calling for expressions of interest in our 2015 Art Scholarships. This is an opportunity to present a portfolio of artwork for judging, with the potential to win a school cup and a small prize. Maybe chat to your children about this and, if you would like the information early, just give Kevin a call next week. We have had some outstanding portfolios in year's past and are keen to see this tradition continue.

Rugby World Cup Reading Challenge ... STARTS TODAY!

Please support our efforts to grow reading mileage across the school. Tries and house points will be awarded for time spent reading, with a special recognition of exceptional efforts down the track.

Parents are asked to help by ...

- Creating set reading time .. maybe before bed
- Helping to keep track of reading on your child's Reading Log
- Helping them to select appropriate reading material at their level
- Encouraging (and modelling) reading

So ... expect a letter and reading log from your child this afternoon.

Home Garden Programme

Children who have signed up to the 2015 Home Garden Programme will have received their garden booklets and support material. By now children should have ..

.. established their garden (mindful of access to sun, shelter, water etc)

.. purchased and maybe planted their seedlings. Minimum 6 plants.

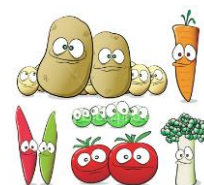
.. got their compost up and running

We suggest that children make a start to their diaries (especially the garden layout)

Don't hesitate to give Sue a call (or email - sabbott@matarau.school.nz) next week with any questions.

Children will meet next Tuesday and are invited to bring along any seedlings they would like to swap.

We will update parents through the newsletter so that we all stay on track. Please send me some garden photos ... we will share these next term.



Cambridge Questions - Year 7 and 8

To ensure that you are as well informed as possible on our Cambridge initiative we have been adding relevant information to our website .. just click on the Cambridge tab.

Carpark Safety

In order to keep our upper carpark as safe as possible ..

- ... please enter and exit on the correct sides (keep left)
- ... park only on a designated carpark
- ... drive slowly and keep an eye out for children
- ... drop off at the designated spot and then make way for others
- ... be patient if waiting

Remember that children and carparks do not go well together. Please be patient and vigilant.

Library cards for your children will do far more than allow them to borrow books.

Whangarei Libraries online and digital services are rapidly growing, from digital downloads, to access of a wide range of exciting sites from your home (sites which would be expensive to access without a library card). A big plus with digital material is that it is impossible to incur fines. And library membership is free.

Whangarei Libraries' Children's Services Librarian, Sue Scott, will be in the school staffroom on Thursday 24th September from 2:30 - 3:30 should you wish to enroll your child.

To enrol your child, simply bring proof of ID (for parent only: e.g. driving license) and proof of address (e.g. a letter addressed to you). It is not necessary for the parent to be a member of the library, however, if this is the case, no proofs are required, your library card will be sufficient.

Having enrolled, your child's library card will be delivered to the school after a couple of working days. Please address any questions to Mrs Abbott.

Marae Trip

A marae trip to Te Hapua marae is planned for the weekend of the 21st- 22nd November by Matarau Whanau Group. Some of the cost will be subsidised by the group's fundraising but there may be a small charge per family attending. While this is a trip undertaken by families from our school, it is not a school trip. Parents or caregivers will need to attend as staff will not be responsible for supervision. For calculating costs and catering volumes please send expressions of interest to Sue Abbott by email sabbott@matarau.school.nz or interest can be submitted on the Matarau Whanau facebook page. Details of planning meetings will be in the newsletter early next term.

Extended Book Amnesty

Please bring back any junior readers you have at home! We are having difficulty getting enough books for our reading groups, so there must be a lot at home. Please look under beds, on book shelves etc and return any readers to school asap. Your Friendly Junior Teachers

Please return

Kapa Haka Bodices - green & black tops that the girls wore last year for production (2014). If you have one at home please return to the school office asap.

School Borrow TShirts - still lots of green polo and the blue/white quick dry shirts outstanding. Please return these clean to the office asap so other children can borrow.



Wheelie Shoes

We have had a number of accidents and close calls the past couple of week with students that have wheelie shoes. We strongly discourage the use of these at school due to these injuries.

Truthfulness Virtue

... you are warmly invited to our wrap up assembly at around 2:40 Friday 25 September at which we will announce our truthfulness shining stars. Hope to see some of you there.

Calf Club Day - Thursday 22nd October 2015

Your child/ren should have their calf, lamb or goat by now. The animal must be born after 1st July 2015. Calves are judged on rearing and leading. Lambs are judged on rearing, leading & calling. Goats are judged on rearing, leading & calling.

You can also bring a 'pet' which can include cats, rabbits, guinea pigs, fish, chicken etc. Note that NO DOGS or PUPPIES are permitted and the animal will need to be in a cage for the duration of the day.

Please do not bring pregnant animals or new-borns on the day as this could put them under stress that would not be good for their health. Also please make sure you bring along food and water for your animals as it can be a long day for them especially if it is sunny and hot.

To assist you with selection, care and training of your pet, please check out the following website www.calfclub.co.nz or Calf and lamb rearing books are available from the office for those children unsure of what the judges look for on the day.

Indoor exhibits

Lists of indoor exhibits for each year level will be sent home today.

Cake Auction - Calf Club Day

Be ready - Dads and Grandads... you may be approached next week to help your child/grandchild prepare a cake for our Calf Club Cake Auction.

Help wanted - If you would be interested in learning the ropes of taking on organising the events on Calf Club day - please contact the school office. Cassandra is 'retiring' this year, so this is a great opportunity to learn the ropes ready for 2016. Cass is willing to introduce a new co-ordinator to the role (majority is to do with on the day animal events, judges, marshalls, tents, etc).

Calf Club Day Hangi

Tickets will be available for the Calf Club Day hangi from the office from Monday 21st September. \$8 per parcel including a chop, piece of chicken, stuffing, cabbage, pumpkin & kumara.

STOP PRESS - 4 week old orphan lamb needs a home urgently. Would make a great Calf Club pet - phone Tash Nathan on 021 129 4679 for more information



Lost Property

Please drop by to collect lost property items next week (between rooms 10 and 11). Items unclaimed by the end of next week will be donated to charities.

Found -Puffer jacke+t - Kathmandu, and a Kathmandu rain jacket with liner, both being held in the school office. Please contact Helen if you think either could belong to your child.

School Contribution/EOTC Payments

Thank you to those who have paid outstanding and term school contributions and activity fees. Those who have not yet paid are asked to do so next week please or to phone Kevin to discuss alternative payment arrangements. Please contact Helen if you would like to make payment by direct credit or if you have any queries.

Overdue Library Books

If you received notice of an overdue library book today please do a thorough search at home and send the book along to school on Monday. If you might be available to help with our library stocktake (around mid-way through next term) please contact Mrs Cates.

Finally

Thank you for your support this term. We wish you some quality time with the children over the forthcoming break, and safe travels if going on holiday. A special commendation to our Talent Quest performers for bravely sharing your talents this week and for the ways in which you encouraged and supported each other on the night. See you next term. No newsletter next week.

Regards

Kevin Trehwella
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Community Notices

For Sale – Simpson Washing Machine – 5.5kg, good working order. \$200 ono. Phone Kym 027 172 8900

For Rent – 3 bedroom, well insulated home in Carr Street, Kamo. \$420pw. Contact Coen 021 607 513

Bag of cricket gear. Suitable for 7-10 year old, includes: wheelie bag, white cricket trousers, gloves, bat. There's no cost for these— just make sure your child registers for Kamo Cricket this summer. Phone Mary 0274 525 398
Email: mezandken@gmail.com

Summer Work Wanted - I am looking for a summer milking job - reliable and willing to do most things. Please contact Isaac Jones by email isaacjones97@gmail.com.

Whakapara Pony Club - registration day, 13th September, 2pm, BBQ, meet and greet, all old and new members welcome.

Kamo Cricket Club - Junior Registration Day, Sat 19 September 10-12 at Kamo Rec, Butler Place, Kamo. Come along for registration and some fun games. Online registration is available at www.sportsground.co.nz/kamocricket. Existing and new junior members (girls and boys up to year 8) of all abilities welcome. Professional coaching provided for all grades. Any queries, please contact Lisa Parkes, ph: 027 460 8848, email: davidparkes@xtra.co.nz

School Hols Creative Writing Workshops - Spark your child's imagination in an artistic setting where it's cool to be yourself. Learn new ways to create interesting story ideas, how to write a good plot, and how to make the characters in your stories come to life. Workshops are held at the Whangarei Library. Beginners are welcome and if you're shy, bring a friend! For further info please visit www.donnablaber.com/schoolhols.html or ph 09 432 0933.

Action Zone SPRING Camp is running again during the holidays (27th Sept- 2nd Oct). for 9-13 year olds (up to Yr8) at Marsden Bay Christian Camp located in One Tree Point, Northland. Activities include: motorbikes, buggies, canoes, water slide, flying fox beach activities, sports rounds and much much more. Contact: Trish Ellis, 35 Hilltop Ave, Morningside, Whangarei 0110, Ph: (09) 438 0333, actionzonecamps@gmail.com

All Stars-Kids in Action - OSCAR school holiday programme Mon 28th Sept - Fri 2nd Oct and Mon 5th - Fri 9th October. At The Pulse, 8.00am-5.30pm, \$35.00per day, 5-14 years. Activities include: Movies at the Cinema , Aquatic Centre Fun, World Cup Rippa Rugby Day, Ultimate Frisbee, Medieval Day, Bike riding, scooter and skate boarding, arts & crafts & more. For further info visit our website: www.kidsinaction.co.nz or Paul on 021951925.

Kidzones Holiday Programmes - Kidzone holiday programmes are located at Tikipunga, Whau Valley and Kamo Primaries. We are open from 7.45am to 5.30pm daily during the holiday break. Check out what fun activities the team at Kidzones have organised for each day on www.kidzones.co.nz. Enrol online via our website for a fast efficient process. WINZ subsidies are available. Contact Sandra North 021 249 3308 or 43 53342
Sandra@kidzones.co.nz

Educare Holiday Programme – Maunu and Hurupaki Primary School Hall, Monday 28th Sept – Friday 9th Oct, 8.00am – 5.30pm, 5-14 yr olds. WINZ subsidies available. Exciting daily activities. For More info visit www.holidayprogrammes.co.nz or contact Christine 0274821331 or email info@holidayprogrammes.co.nz.

Genius Hour Food Bank Campaign

Danni and Abbie are doing a project with Room 9 and 10 called Genius Hour. We saw that the Salvation Army Food Bank needs food donations and thought we could help by organising each family at Matarau School to donate one grocery item to this worthy cause. Every donation of food helps the food bank give to people who do not have enough food for themselves.

We are hoping to have someone from Salvation Army come to Matarau School and tell us more about their role in the community.

Please consider this opportunity to give to others.

Donations can be delivered between Monday 7th – Friday 25th September to Dannielle in Rm 10 or Abbie in Rm 9.



2015 Calf Club – Indoor Exhibits

This year indoor exhibits will be on display in the hall and can be viewed at any time on Calf Club Day from 10am. As children will be making most exhibits at school over the period 19th to 21st October parents are asked to send the items below to school on Monday 19th October (flowers on Wednesday 21st). Items not specifically requested below will be provided by the school. All children must complete a minimum of 5 exhibits. **Each exhibit has a maximum size no larger than a standard shoe box.** All exhibits must be at school by Wednesday. Any questions please to your child's teacher.

2015	Year 1 - 3	Year 4 - 6	Year 7 and 8
Floral arrangement	<i>Done at school</i> Mini Cupcake Posies Please bring small flowers and greenery to create mini posie. We will supply cupcake cases and oasis.	<i>Done at school</i> Arrangements in an interesting container please bring container and flowers	<i>Done at school</i> Arrangements in an interesting container. Please bring container & flowers (completed on Wednesday so container will need to hold water)
Petal	<i>Done at school</i> Petal pictures Bring flowers, leaves suitable to be pulled apart and an ice cream lid.	<i>Done at school</i> Vaseline Petal Art -Create a word using petals.... Students need to plan this! Bring an ice-cream container lid & several flowers that you like	<i>Done at school</i> Petal Art - Animals Flowers with a range of small, colourful petals Tuesday
Vegetable creation	<i>Done at school</i> Bring a variety of vegetables (not cut up) No more than 5 vegetables	<i>Done at school</i> Bring a variety of vegetables (not cut up) No more than 5 vegetables	<i>Done at school</i> Bring a variety of vegetables (not cut up) Wednesday No more than 5 vegetables
Construction from materials or on a digital device	TO BE DONE AT HOME Create a wearable hat.	DONE AT SCHOOL OR HOME MINECRAFT CONSTRUCTION. REPLICATE A WELL KNOWN BUILDING E.G. THE TAJ MAHAL, SKY TOWER	<i>Done at school / OR HOME</i> Natural Materials from home to create a display with a conservation or farm/farm animal theme. (no bigger than a shoe box) Complete by Wednesday
Miniature model	<i>Done at school</i> Miniature model of a minibeast. Bring: Pipecleaners, bottle tops, beads, buttons etc	<i>Done at school</i> Clay models of calf club themes	<i>Done at school</i> Clay models - clay provided
Decorating Biscuit, cup cake	<i>Done at school</i> All provided	<i>Done at school</i> Decorate own cookie Decorations and cookies provided at school	DONE AT HOME Fudge Creations - Either plain Chocolate or Russian - no nuts etc) displayed in an interesting and creative way. Complete by Wednesday morning
Trash to treasure/ Recycled items showing alternative use.	TO BE DONE AT HOME	TO BE DONE AT HOME Use recycled items to create a treasure for someone else	TO BE DONE AT HOME Use recycled items to create a treasure for someone else

If you are able to help ..

.. With the art and craft activities 19th to 21nd October please contact your child's teacher. .. these activities can be pretty labour intensive and so any offers of assistance would be greatly appreciated.